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REMARKS

The Examiner issued a request for information under 37 C.F.R. § 1.105.

The Examiner requests a copy of any non-patent literature, published application, or patent (U.S. or foreign), by any of the inventors, that relates to the claimed invention that was used in the invention process such as by designing around or providing a solution to accomplish an invention result. Two of the applicants are the inventors of U.S. Patent No. 6,049,783 entitled "Interactive Internet Analysis Method." The present application represents improvements to the concepts in this now-issued patent. The applicants are not listed on any published patent applications. The applicants have not authored any non-patent literature that was used in the invention process such as in designing around or providing a solution.

The Examiner also requests a working prototype that can be tested by the examiner. The applicants operate a web site www.poweropt.com that embodies the claimed systems and methods. Trial memberships are available at the web site. The trade name PowerOptions® is used in connection with the web site and the services that are offered at the web site. The assignee of the present application is Power Financial Group, Inc.

The undersigned understands that to the best of the applicants knowledge there are no competitors to the www.poweropt.com web site in searching for options and option strategies. Microsoft, Quicken, and on-line brokerages may provide web sites that provide stock searching capabilities and alerts relating to movements in the prices of stocks, but the inventors are not aware that these web sites or any others compete in the area of searching for options and option spreads.

Information Disclosure Statements Submitted March 26, 2001 and October 9, 2001

Applicants submitted Information Disclosure Statements on March 26, 2001 and October 9, 2001 (copies enclosed). Initialed copies of the IDS's have not been received from the Patent Office. The undersigned respectfully requests that the Office consider the Information Disclosure Statements and forward initialed copies with the next communication.

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